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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 15, 2000 of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-12, 14-18, and 48-50. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. An extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed on this  $\boxtimes$ same date for 2 month(s).

2.		A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
3.	$\boxtimes$	Fee \$310.00 Other than a Small Entity
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		Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal)
		Charge to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)
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Respectfully submitted,

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